

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION IX**

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

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Mr. Conner Everts Co-Facilitator **Environmental Water Caucus** 120 Broadway, Suite 105 Santa Monica, California 90401

Dear Mr. Everts:

The US EPA has received your letter dated October 30, 2015, addressed to EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, Bureau of Reclamation Regional Administrator David Murillo, and others, regarding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix. Your letter provides comments on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the BDCP/California WaterFix project on behalf of the Environmental Water Caucus and a coalition of over thirty environmental water, fishing, and justice groups. The Bureau of Reclamation is the lead federal agency responsible for the National Environmental Policy Act environmental review process for the BDCP / California WaterFix. Reclamation will be responsible for responding to all comments on the SDEIS.

EPA is charged under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act to review the environmental impact statements of other federal agencies and to comment on the adequacy and the acceptability of the environmental impacts of the proposed action. EPA has reviewed Reclamation's SDEIS regarding the proposed project. Our comments are posted at http://www2.epa.gov/sfbay-delta/bay-delta-conservation-plan-epadocuments, along with our previous comments on the Bay Delta Conservation Plan Draft EIS.

Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your thoughts about the proposed project. Please share this response with the other signatories to your letter.

Sincerely

Kathleen Martyn Goforth

Environmental Review Section